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SUBJECT: OIL MAJORS NEGOTIATIONS WITH LIBYA

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WE APPRECIATE THE INSTRUCTION IN REFTEL AND ARE ATTEMPTING TO REACH AN APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL IN EC COMMISSION VICE PRESIDENT SIMONET'S OFFICE TO BRIEF HIM. WE ASSUME THAT IN ADDITION TO BRIEFINGS BY US GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES, THE OIL COMPANIES CONCERNED THEMSELVES ARE BEING ENCOURAGE TO KEEP EUROPEAN AND JAPANESE GOVERNMENTS INFORMED ABOUT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LIBYAN OIL NEGOTIATIONS. WE BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT NOT ONLY IN TERMS OF THE RELATIONS OF THE OIL COMPANIES WITH THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MAJOR CONSUMERS THAT THEY

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APPEAR TO BE FORTHCOMING IN THIS RESPECT, BUT ALSO BECAUSE FAILURE OF THE COMPANIES TO DO SO WOULD REINFORCE SUSPICIONS THAT EXIST ON THE PART OF SOME OFFICIALS IN EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS. IF THE ONLY INFORMATION THEY RECEIVE IS FROM A US GOVERNMENT SOURCE, THIS WILL CONFIRM THEIR FEELING THAT THE US GOVERNMENT HAS GREATER ACCESS TO INFORMATION CONCERNING OIL NEGOTIATIONS FROM THE OIL COMPANIES THAN EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS DO. EVEN THOUGH THE INFORMATION IN QUESTION IS OF VITAL INTEREST TO THOSE GOVERNMENTS. HARTMAN

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